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**MEDIA RELEASE****For Immediate Release  
October 5, 2005****Contact: Karen Vickers  
(770) 424-8274****SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT THE KENNESAW COMMUNITY CENTER**

KENNESAW, GEORGIA (October 4, 2005) - It was once a former strip mall, a senior center, and a traffic court. Now, the Kennesaw Community Center stands as a crown jewel near the entrance to Adams Park.

After a \$2 million renovation in 2004, the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Department has been working to make the Kennesaw Community Center "the place" for the community to come for gymnastics and drawing classes, square dancing, and so much more.

The 26,000 square foot facility has ten rooms, three of which are available for rental. Interior accommodations include a 3,952 square foot banquet hall complete with catering kitchen, and two 840 square foot meeting rooms that can be joined to form a large meeting room. There is ample parking, and the entrance features a porte-cochere with interior vestibule to provide shelter for arriving guests.

"We've hosted elections, family reunions, parties, baptisms, dance recitals, homeowners association meetings, even weddings", said David Pies, Recreation Programs Coordinator. "We are overwhelmed by the public's response."

Rental fees start at just \$17.50 per hour for a City of Kennesaw resident.

Since January 2005, hundreds of classes, camps and workshops have been conducted at the center. Youth dance and gymnastics and adult fitness classes are some of the more popular programs. Stress reduction workshops, cardio kickboxing and introductory magic classes are just a few of the new program offerings that are sure to spice up the Department's winter/spring lineup, scheduled to begin in December.

Those interested in activities can register online at [www.kennesaw-ga.gov/pkrec](http://www.kennesaw-ga.gov/pkrec), or by completing a form found in the back of the Kennesaw Parks & Recreation Program Guide - the City's official guide to parks & recreation activities. This free publication is available at the Kennesaw Community Center, Kennesaw City Hall, and the Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History.



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The Kennesaw Community Center is located at 2753 Watts Drive, near the intersection of US-41/Cobb Parkway and Watts Drive.

For more information about programs or facilities, please call (770) 422-9714 or visit [www.kennesaw-ga.gov/pkrec](http://www.kennesaw-ga.gov/pkrec).

**DIGITAL PHOTOS ATTACHED.**

PHOTO 1: Kennesaw Community Center (front view).

PHOTO 2: Oil painting and drawing instructor Jessica Fleming, with student.

PHOTO 3: Dance instructor Donna Kalish, with students.

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